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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS TO THE BOARD

About the Society of Construction Law of Australia

The Society of Construction Law Australia was established in 2009. Since then, with the support of Australia's vibrant construction law community, we have been able to achieve a great deal, including:

- membership of over 1,100 members, representing all States and Territories;
- annual conferences each year;
- seminars and domestic and international video discussions on cutting-edge topics;
- the Brooking Prize for construction law essays;
- Scholarship Support Grants; and
- formal contributions to law reform.

This is no time for resting upon laurels, however: we are determined to build upon these foundations to ensure that the Society reaches its potential and becomes a driving force in the Australian construction industry.

Ours is very much an organisation run **by** our members **for** our members. And, in order to sustain and expand the Society's ability to give real value to you, as our members, the Board and Committees which administer the Society need your help.

The role of Directors of the Society

The role of a SoCLA Director is a volunteer and active leadership one. Directors are expected to:

- Be familiar and comply with the Constitution, strategy, policies, and procedures of the Society.
- Attend regular Board meetings held at least each 6 weeks by Videocon.
- Attend the annual conference and an annual Board strategy weekend.
- Attend other SoCLA leadership meetings as required to support SoCLA activities and strategy.
- Actively promote SoCLA to external organisations and form relationships that promote SoCLA's Strategic plans.
- Have completed or commit to undertaking Director training with the Australian Institute of Company Directors with the financial support of SoCLA.
- Take on executive and leadership roles and tasks in implementing the Society's strategic plans and in supporting subcommittees.

For this reason, SoCLA encourages prospective Board members to be active in the Society's activities, and to consider their other professional and personal commitments prior to nominating for a Board position.

Directors are not paid for their time, or in the usual course, for expenses associated with the role.

The Board receives reports from the sub-committees of the Society and provides guidance to the sub-committees as to the activities which might be pursued by those sub-committees. Much of the operational work of the Society is undertaken through these sub-committees.

In addition the Board meets in person twice per year for a full day. One of these meetings is held near the time of the annual national conference.

In addition to receiving reports direct from subcommittees there is also a Management Committee consisting of the chairs of the subcommittees and at least one Board member that aids in the communication between the strategic Board responsibilities and the operational subcommittees.

The Board also considers issues such as the Society's Conference, the establishment of relationships with other organisations, communication with Government and the making of submissions on matters relevant to the construction industry, the production of reports or research on matters relevant to the construction industry and the identification and progression of other issues of interest to the members of the Society. The Society welcomes new ideas and perspectives for consideration.

Call for nominees

We are looking for colleagues who are able to offer their time and enthusiasm to throw their hats into the ring and nominate for a position.

Attached is a nomination form for the Board. All nominees, proposers and seconders must be fully paid up members.

All nominations for a position on the Board must be received no later than 5pm (AEDT) on Thursday 5 October 2023.

Nominations must be submitted by email to admin@scl.org.au. If you do not receive confirmation of your submission within three (3) days please contact admin@scl.org.au.

The nomination form may be executed in counterpart and submitted individually however all counterparts must be received by the closing time.

The nomination form may be submitted by, or on behalf of, any of the nominee, proposer and seconder.

If more than three (3) nominations are received then there will be an election.

Nominees will be invited to provide a brief statement of no more than 300 words explaining why they are nominating and what they consider they can contribute to the Society. This information will be required to be submitted by 11 October 2023 5:00 pm AEDT. This information will then be distributed to members on 13 October 2023.

The election will be held from 13 - 26 October 2023.

The results of the voting will be announced at the AGM (and by video conference) on 1 November 2023.

If you would like to discuss involvement in the Society more generally, please contact secretary@scl.org.au

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